

**17—20.10 (231) Leadership roles.**

**20.10(1) *Election of leadership.*** Election of OIL leadership will be conducted in May by the department OIL coordinator.

**20.10(2) *Rules committee.*** The elected leadership shall constitute a “rules committee” and shall prepare guidelines regulating the conduct of delegates and committees during the session. By the third Monday of August, the guidelines shall be distributed to delegates.

**20.10(3) *Procedural rules.***

*a.* A ballot listing all nominees for speaker, speaker pro tempore, and floor leader will be prepared by the department and made available at the election site. Candidates for the offices will be given an opportunity to campaign prior to the balloting.

*b.* Successful candidates must receive a majority of 50 percent plus one of the votes cast. If runoff balloting is required, the candidate(s) with the fewest votes will be removed from consideration on the next successive ballot.

*c.* There shall be no nomination from the floor at the election of leadership.

*d.* Robert’s Rules of Order, as amended, will be used to decide all issues pertaining to the election of leadership which are not specifically covered in these rules.

**20.10(4) *Leadership vacancies.*** In the event that a leadership vacancy occurs prior to the start of the session, the immediate runner-up in the final balloting will be appointed by the department to fill the vacancy.

**20.10(5) *Teleconference.*** A teleconference meeting convened by the department on the last Monday of July will be held with the elected leaders to appoint chairpersons for committees from among the nominees submitted by the area delegations and approve assignment of delegates to committees.